



WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 26, 1906.

## From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, D. C., April 26.

Information received here to the effect that ex-Captain George Herman, of the Philippine Constabulary, has been sentenced to 14 years imprisonment for his share in one of the most sensational and daring piracy cases ever perpetrated. Capt. Herman and Lieut. Johnson were on duty at Misamis, the former as senior inspector of constabulary, when they relieved the sale of 2,000 pesos and put to sea. They overhauled the steamer Victoria and boarded her, claiming that the vessel was to be used in government service, and attempted to escape to Borneo. They were obliged to put into the island of Negros, however, and Johnson was killed by the crew of a sailing vessel they had endeavored to impress, and Herman was captured. Men under his command were compelled to assist in the crime.

As a result of certain scandalous stories recently circulated at Caracas associating the name of Assistant Secretary of State Loomis, formerly U. S. Minister to Venezuela with the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Co., it is probable that on the return of President Roosevelt from the West, Minister Bowen, present representative of the United States in Venezuela, will be summoned to Washington in order that a thorough investigation of the entire subject may be had. One of the tales is that Mr. Loomis, while minister at Caracas, accepted a check for \$10,000 from the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Co., another that he purchased for a trifling sum a claim of \$4,000 against the Venezuelan government and then used his official position to secure its collection.

Secretary Tait has received a cablegram from the Philippine commission in which they urge against his plan to effect a settlement of the friars' land dispute by compromise with the Philippine Sugar Development Company over the question of title to 3 of the 8 estates which they have agreed to sell to the Philippine government. In the opinion of attorneys for the Philippine commission the development company has not been able to produce a clear title to these three estates, which are claimed by the University of St. Tomas, as well as by the Dominican Order, from which they were originally purchased by the Sugar Development Company.

The Secret Service, Department of Justice and Postoffice Department have begun a concerted campaign against lottery agents with the avowed intention of putting them out of business in the United States.

The following postmasters were appointed in Virginia today: Samuel J. Wiley, at Berry, Clarke county; Asa Crisman, at Kernstown, Frederick county; and James M. Hale, at Pratt, Madison county.

The Postoffice Department has issued a fraud order against the Home Co-operative Company at New Orleans. The concern formerly had its headquarters at Kansas City and later at St. Louis, and now has branches in a large number of smaller towns in the west. The company has thousands of clients throughout the west, most of whom are trying to buy homes on the company's installment plan.

**Nan Patterson Trial.**  
New York, April 26.—Nan Patterson again today heard the evidence of the prosecution which sought to clothe her with the guilt of her lover's murder. Hyman Stern, who sold the revolver with which Caesar Young was shot, will be a witness today, and it has been the contention of the prosecution that the revolver was sold to J. Morgan Smith, the actress's brother-in-law. When court opened the prosecutor ordered the skeleton to be removed from beside the witness chair, and called George H. Chamberlain to the stand. He came from Springfield, Mass., and is employed by the Smith & Wesson Company, in the manufacture of revolvers. He said that the revolver with which Young was shot was made by his firm.

**Bank Robber Killed.**  
Buffalo, N. Y., April 26. A special dispatch received here from Montreal, Canada, says that a bank near that city was entered by robbers this morning. The cashier opened fire on the intruders, killing one and injuring another. In the fusillade of bullets the cashier was seriously wounded.

**Lancaster, Ont., April 26.**—Burglars broke into the local branch of Merchants Bank of Canada, in this village, at an early hour, this morning, and as a result, one of their number is dead, and the bank teller, Herman von Metzke, is dangerously wounded. It was between one and two o'clock when the burglars by using a tie from the railway as a battering ram forced an entrance into the bank. The teller, who was sleeping at the back of the building, awoke to find four masked men with revolvers in their hands and a light shining in his face.

He grabbed his revolver from under his pillow, one of the burglars seizing his hand, and von Metzke turned his revolver on him and fired. In the scuffle which ensued the burglar pointed his Maudekky body on the head with his revolver, but although saturated with blood, he managed to get out of bed and put the burglars to flight. They took their wounded comrade with them as far as the station platform, four hundred yards away, where he was found dead shortly after. The burglars secured no booty.

**Fifty Animals Burned.**  
A large stock barn belonging to the Ashburn Dairy Farm, near Ashburn, Loudoun county, which is owned by Judge J. D. Youmans, was totally destroyed by fire of unknown origin on Monday night about 12 o'clock. Many other outbuildings were consumed. The contents of the barn, consisting of large quantities of feed, farming implements, twenty head of cattle, and about thirty head of fine horses, were burned. Judge Youmans recently purchased the farm from Senator W. M. Stewart, of Nevada, and was making extensive improvements on it. The loss is estimated at about \$20,000, and is only partly covered by insurance.

**Officers Kill Woman.**  
Roanoke, Va., April 26.—Mrs. Cora Luckey was shot to death at Gary, Va., yesterday while Detectives C. E. Anderson and A. C. Hufford, with Deputy Sheriffs E. B. Johnson and E. H. Powell were attempting to arrest two outlaws, Tom Barlow and "Doc" Cantrell, who were hiding in her house. Barlow and Cantrell are wanted in Mitchell county, North Carolina, for murder and robberies. When the sheriffs and their party approached the house the desperadoes opened fire, and slightly wounded Sheriff Powell. When the firing began Mrs. Luckey was reading, but she arose to ascertain the cause of the trouble. She was struck by a bullet in the forehead. Barlow and Cantrell surrendered.

## News of the Day.

Santa Catalina won the Excelsior Handicap at Jamaica race track yesterday.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company has contracted for 250 locomotives, to cost \$4,000,000.

Norway declines to consider any adjustment of its differences with Sweden until plans are made for a separate consular service.

The tomb found in Kirkbean Church, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, believed by some to mark the resting place of John Paul Jones, was, it is said, erected by the latter over the grave of his father.

The death of Mr. John Washington Reilly, one of the best-known figures in Baltimore, who for years kept a restaurant at Holiday and Fayette streets, occurred last night at his home in that city.

Secretary of War Taft states that the policy of this government in respect to the Panama railway will be no discrimination against any of the steamship companies transporting business across the isthmus.

The Southern Railway Company which recently appropriated \$40,000 for Young Men's Christian Association buildings along its lines yesterday contributed \$5,000 to the building and furnishing fund of the Washington association.

Of the seventy-five candidates who last week took the mental examination for admission to the Naval Academy as midshipmen, forty-seven passed, but none from Virginia. They will be examined physically, and, if accepted, at once sworn in as midshipmen and given leave till June 10, when they will be admitted after the other midshipmen have gone on the summer cruise.

## Virginia News.

The residence of Mr. R. Powell Coakley, at Alden, King George county, was destroyed by fire Saturday.

Miss Susan F. Barran, of Rappanock county, died at her home, near Sperryville, Monday, aged about 60 years.

Thomas J. Frits, aged 73 years, a business man of Warren county, was married yesterday to Mrs. Elizabeth B. Riswick, of Winchester.

Residents of Front Royal and Riverton met at the former place yesterday and organized a board of trade. Samuel F. Rhodes was elected president.

Miss Ethel Randolph Pace, daughter of James B. Pace, was married at the home of her parents in Richmond yesterday afternoon to Dr. Victor Newcomb Meddis, of Louisville.

Miss Mary E. Willis, daughter of the late Henry V. Willis, a former prominent business man of Winchester, died at her home there yesterday after a brief illness, aged thirty-eight years.

The home of Dr. Chas. H. Goldsborough, in Culpeper, was the scene of a beautiful marriage yesterday afternoon, when Lucy Carter Neal was married to Mr. James Franchaw, of Lynchburg. Rev. E. W. Winfrey performed the ceremony. Mrs. J. B. Berdette played the wedding march. Mrs. Robertson, of Danville, was matron of honor.

**Mr. Swanson and the Books.**  
Congressman C. A. Swanson has issued the following statement relative to his position on the school-book question: To the democratic voters of Virginia:

I have received many inquiries asking me to state my position upon the school-book question should I be elected governor of Virginia and thus become a member of the State board of education, which has control of this matter.

I desire to state to the voters of Virginia that my experience, both as pupil and as a teacher in the public schools of the State, has convinced me that as an original proposition the single list is preferable. The adoption of such a list gives uniformity in the text-books throughout the State, and hence when pupils go from one district to another, or from one county or city to another, they are not forced to the necessity of purchasing new books, but can always use those in their possession.

Again, the single list will result in saving to the people of Virginia a vast sum of money in the purchase of books, as it is conceded that books under the single list can be furnished much cheaper.

These considerations speak strongly in behalf of a single list. But a sudden adoption of a single list under conditions now existing in Virginia would discontinue the use of a large number of books at present used and paid for by the people. I do not favor sudden and radical changes of books, with the inconvenience, losses and annoyances incident thereto.

I would favor, as a member of the State board of education, reaching a single list as soon as it can be done without entailing such loss, inconvenience and annoyance.

I desire, further, to say that if I should be elected governor and become a member of the State board of education, I would assume duties absolutely free and untrammelled, and with no purpose except to get the people of Virginia the best books at the best prices obtainable, and I would not consent to make a contract with any publisher for furnishing books who would not agree to provide the people of Virginia as good books, both in a literary and mechanical sense, and as cheaply as are furnished to any other State in the Union.

**TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.**

Failure in several business enterprises goading him to despondency, Charles W. Penlock, a well known grain dealer of Reading, Pa., committed suicide at his home this morning, by sending a bullet through his brain.

The three masted schooner Harry L. Whiton, of Boston, was sunk eight miles east of the Orleans, Mass., life saving station at midnight, by the four masted schooner Charles Campbell, of Bath, and two seamen, Michael Shiers, of Calais, and John Anderson, of Cape Breton, were drowned in their berths. Capt. Smith with his wife and baby, the mate, L. L. Mitchell, Steward Sidney P. Strout and Seaman John E. Emory escaped in their own boat and were taken on board the Campbell.

Confidence has again been restored in the banking institutions of Milwaukee. The run on the First National Bank and the Milwaukee Trust Company, which was caused by the confession of Frank G. Bigelow, is a thing of the past, and banking affairs in Milwaukee have resumed their normal condition.

The Pennsylvania republican State convention today nominated by acclamation the following candidates: State treasurer, J. Lee Plummer; judges of Supreme Court—President Judge, Charles E. Rice; judges, George B. Orlandy and James A. Beaver.

## Today's Telegraphic News.

**Conditions in Russia.**  
St. Petersburg, April 26.—It is reported that the Zemsky Sobor will be definitely summoned in June. The Czar seems determined on this. The Minister of the Interior has issued secret orders that all letters from abroad shall be opened. Several letters to your correspondent have been opened in this way. One of these letters was from a Sister of Charity in Mukden. It states that as soon as General Linvitch took command of the army in Manchuria he dismissed all the telegraph employees. An investigation proved that twenty-seven out of fifty operators were in communication with the Japanese. Several of the operators were hanged by General Linvitch's orders.

Berlin, April 26.—A threatened uprising of the peasants in Penza province of Russia is reported here. It is estimated that 6,000 armed laborers have taken part in the demonstrations. The largest cities of the district and several estates were looted. Similar tactics were employed in the neighborhood of Naroch, a town of about 3,000 inhabitants. Estates were raided and a number of landlords were either killed or maltreated. Their servants were likewise abused by the rioters. The newspapers have been forbidden to mention the outbreaks.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—Demonstrations on the part of the reservists who have been ordered to Manchuria occurred today in various centers where the troops are being entrained. Yesterday the reservists created a great deal of trouble. In one instance the soldiers were so disorderly that a lieutenant shot to death a disobedient soldier. In another case the soldiers pillaged the liquor stores and smashed the windows in the trains and the women of his old congregation subscribed money for his treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital.

**Checked Career Ended.**  
Providence, R. I., April 26.—Death yesterday ended the wandering of the Rev. Dr. Charles H. McLane, former pastor of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Philadelphia. He escaped from the inebriate ward in St. Joseph's Hospital, Philadelphia, last Friday, and made his way, sick from exposure and dissipation, to the home of his sisters in this city. Dr. McLane was commencement orator in the class of '93 of Brown University. After his ordination he went to St. James' Church, Downingtown, Pa., where he captained a baseball team. He went later to All Saints' Church in Philadelphia. There he was mysteriously absent from service several times, and was forced to resign. After he left All Saints' he wandered to the Pacific coast. He returned to Downingtown last week, and the women of his old congregation subscribed money for his treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital.

**Tariff Agreement Terminated.**  
Berlin, April 26.—The imperial government has formally notified the United States that tariff agreement between Germany and America will terminate on March 13, 1906. This is the day the new reciprocity treaties with seven European nations which were signed recently go into effect, and the notice to the United States is preparatory to excluding that nation from enjoying the privileges of the new treaties. While serving the formal notice on America, Germany also announces that she stands ready to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

**Bulgarians Arrested.**  
Vienna, April 26.—Four Bulgarians, who are alleged to be Macedonian revolutionists, have been arrested near Zaribrod on the frontier. The men carried bombs and arms had in their possession a list of Servians whom they intended to assassinate. Included in the list were all the Servian Macedonian committee at Belgrade, which had been organizing bands to act against the Bulgarian revolutionists.

**Race for \$10,000.**  
London, April 26.—The city and suburban handicap for 3 year olds, and upwards, for a purse of 2,000 sovereigns, was run today at Epsom. Sir James Miller's Pharos, with Maher riding, won. Ambition, T. W. Blenkiron, owner, finished second, with Nolan up, and Dean Swift, Randall's mount, owned by J. B. Joel, was third. Nineteen horses started in the race.

**Col. Willard Glazier, the well-known explorer, died at midnight at his home in Albany, N. Y., of heart disease. He was born in Fowler, St. Lawrence county, N. Y., August, 1821.**

**The Columbian Minister to Washington, Diego Mendoza, was a passenger on the steamer Sibira, which arrived at New York from Savanillo today.**

**Turks Detained.**  
The situation in Turkish Arabia has become critical. It transpires that only a thousand of the Turkish troops sent to the relief of Riza Pasha reached Sanaa, and these fled thither after sustaining a defeat at the hands of the insurgents. Riza Pasha's troops, 6,000 strong, encountered the Arabs in great force five miles south of Sanaa March 30, and after a sharp encounter most of the troops, consisting of Syrian reserves, laid down their arms or deserted, the remainder of the Turks managing to reach Sanaa the same evening with only 50 camel loads of supplies. The chief of staff, Izzat Pasha, was killed and seven guns were abandoned and taken possession of by the Arabs, who also captured 200 camels laden with provisions and large quantities of rifles and ammunition. The investment of Sanaa by the insurgents is being tightened. The Syrian reinforcements which recently arrived in Arabia are unsatisfactory, and the Ottoman officials are anxiously awaiting the arrival of European battalions, upon whom the fate of the capital of Yemen province depends.

**Official in London conversant with the situation there as being in the nature of a life or death struggle for the Sultan of Turkey. They point out that the warlike Arabs of Yemen, who have never done more than impatiently tolerated the Turkish yoke, have now grown tired of paying taxes three or four times over and have revolted. Should the rising in Yemen succeed it is bound to spread north to Hejaz, and if the Sultan's authority is wiped out in that holy land a Mohammedan empire will lose all claims to the title of protector of the holy places which is regarded as the main factor in holding his empire together.**

**Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.**  
Fewer gallons; takes less of Devote Lead and Zinc than mixed paints. Wears longer; twice as long as lead and oil.

Everybody's for May has been received from the Ridgway-Thayer Co., in New York, and is one of the strongest numbers that this popular magazine has ever issued. Mr. Lawson in "Frenzied Finance" illumines the dark doing of the "System," and lays bare the workings of the "Standard Oil" crowd. In this installment of his startling story, Mr. Russell tells of the best trusts operations in the cattle markets, and upon the cattle industry of the west. In "The West Coast Land Grifters" is shown how some land kings of the west coast got their holdings, and describes the graft in the land business of the West. The "Experiences of a Nursery Governor," "Modern Comforts of Home" and "The Play-ers" are of interest. Besides ten good stories by well known writers there is a charming child study, "The Country Child in the City Square."

**Full of Tragic Meaning**  
are these lines from H. H. Simmons, of Casey, Ia. Think what might have resulted from this terrible cough if he had not taken the medicine about which he writes: "I had a fearful cough that started my night's rest. I tried everything, but nothing would relieve it, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which completely cured me." Instantly relieves and permanently cures all throat and lung diseases; prevents grip and pneumonia. At E. S. Leander & Sons, druggists; guaranteed; 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

**The Market.**  
Georgetown, April 26.—Wheat 90¢ 1/2, 100¢ 1/2.

## Bishop Darlington.

New York, April 26.—In Christ Church, Brooklyn, where for years he has been the rector, Rev. James Henry Darlington, was consecrated a bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church today, and became the Bishop of Harrisburg, Pa. The church was crowded with visiting clergymen and churchmen when the Bishop elect was presented for consecration. The ceremony was performed by the Right Rev. O. W. Whitaker, Bishop of Pennsylvania, assisted by Bishop Cortland Whitehead, of Pittsburgh, and Bishop Talbot, of Central Pennsylvania. The presenting bishops were George Franklin Seymour, of Springfield, Ills., and Frederick Burgess, of Long Island. Bishop Darlington will attend a reception this afternoon at the Hanover Club, and this evening there will be a reception at the parish house. Last night he was made the recipient of a loving cup by the congregation of Christ Church.

**Checked Career Ended.**  
Providence, R. I., April 26.—Death yesterday ended the wandering of the Rev. Dr. Charles H. McLane, former pastor of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Philadelphia. He escaped from the inebriate ward in St. Joseph's Hospital, Philadelphia, last Friday, and made his way, sick from exposure and dissipation, to the home of his sisters in this city. Dr. McLane was commencement orator in the class of '93 of Brown University. After his ordination he went to St. James' Church, Downingtown, Pa., where he captained a baseball team. He went later to All Saints' Church in Philadelphia. There he was mysteriously absent from service several times, and was forced to resign. After he left All Saints' he wandered to the Pacific coast. He returned to Downingtown last week, and the women of his old congregation subscribed money for his treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital.

**Tariff Agreement Terminated.**  
Berlin, April 26.—The imperial government has formally notified the United States that tariff agreement between Germany and America will terminate on March 13, 1906. This is the day the new reciprocity treaties with seven European nations which were signed recently go into effect, and the notice to the United States is preparatory to excluding that nation from enjoying the privileges of the new treaties. While serving the formal notice on America, Germany also announces that she stands ready to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

**Bulgarians Arrested.**  
Vienna, April 26.—Four Bulgarians, who are alleged to be Macedonian revolutionists, have been arrested near Zaribrod on the frontier. The men carried bombs and arms had in their possession a list of Servians whom they intended to assassinate. Included in the list were all the Servian Macedonian committee at Belgrade, which had been organizing bands to act against the Bulgarian revolutionists.

**Race for \$10,000.**  
London, April 26.—The city and suburban handicap for 3 year olds, and upwards, for a purse of 2,000 sovereigns, was run today at Epsom. Sir James Miller's Pharos, with Maher riding, won. Ambition, T. W. Blenkiron, owner, finished second, with Nolan up, and Dean Swift, Randall's mount, owned by J. B. Joel, was third. Nineteen horses started in the race.

**Col. Willard Glazier, the well-known explorer, died at midnight at his home in Albany, N. Y., of heart disease. He was born in Fowler, St. Lawrence county, N. Y., August, 1821.**

**The Columbian Minister to Washington, Diego Mendoza, was a passenger on the steamer Sibira, which arrived at New York from Savanillo today.**

**Turks Detained.**  
The situation in Turkish Arabia has become critical. It transpires that only a thousand of the Turkish troops sent to the relief of Riza Pasha reached Sanaa, and these fled thither after sustaining a defeat at the hands of the insurgents. Riza Pasha's troops, 6,000 strong, encountered the Arabs in great force five miles south of Sanaa March 30, and after a sharp encounter most of the troops, consisting of Syrian reserves, laid down their arms or deserted, the remainder of the Turks managing to reach Sanaa the same evening with only 50 camel loads of supplies. The chief of staff, Izzat Pasha, was killed and seven guns were abandoned and taken possession of by the Arabs, who also captured 200 camels laden with provisions and large quantities of rifles and ammunition. The investment of Sanaa by the insurgents is being tightened. The Syrian reinforcements which recently arrived in Arabia are unsatisfactory, and the Ottoman officials are anxiously awaiting the arrival of European battalions, upon whom the fate of the capital of Yemen province depends.

**Official in London conversant with the situation there as being in the nature of a life or death struggle for the Sultan of Turkey. They point out that the warlike Arabs of Yemen, who have never done more than impatiently tolerated the Turkish yoke, have now grown tired of paying taxes three or four times over and have revolted. Should the rising in Yemen succeed it is bound to spread north to Hejaz, and if the Sultan's authority is wiped out in that holy land a Mohammedan empire will lose all claims to the title of protector of the holy places which is regarded as the main factor in holding his empire together.**

**Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.**  
Fewer gallons; takes less of Devote Lead and Zinc than mixed paints. Wears longer; twice as long as lead and oil.

Everybody's for May has been received from the Ridgway-Thayer Co., in New York, and is one of the strongest numbers that this popular magazine has ever issued. Mr. Lawson in "Frenzied Finance" illumines the dark doing of the "System," and lays bare the workings of the "Standard Oil" crowd. In this installment of his startling story, Mr. Russell tells of the best trusts operations in the cattle markets, and upon the cattle industry of the west. In "The West Coast Land Grifters" is shown how some land kings of the west coast got their holdings, and describes the graft in the land business of the West. The "Experiences of a Nursery Governor," "Modern Comforts of Home" and "The Play-ers" are of interest. Besides ten good stories by well known writers there is a charming child study, "The Country Child in the City Square."

**Full of Tragic Meaning**  
are these lines from H. H. Simmons, of Casey, Ia. Think what might have resulted from this terrible cough if he had not taken the medicine about which he writes: "I had a fearful cough that started my night's rest. I tried everything, but nothing would relieve it, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which completely cured me." Instantly relieves and permanently cures all throat and lung diseases; prevents grip and pneumonia. At E. S. Leander & Sons, druggists; guaranteed; 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

**The Market.**  
Georgetown, April 26.—Wheat 90¢ 1/2, 100¢ 1/2.

## City Council.

Considerable business was transacted by the City Council last night but there was little discussion and the session lasted less than an hour.

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN.**  
Several Aldermen were present, and the business which was presented was expedited.

Mr. Fisher introduced a resolution providing for the use of sidewalks by merchants under certain conditions, which will be found in the official proceedings.

Among the papers which came in from the lower board was an adverse report of the committees on light and finance on a petition of W. M. Glasgow for one month's pay, he having been taken sick while at work at the electric works.

Mr. Ballenger was not inclined at first to vote for concurring in the action of the Common Council in adopting the report. He suggested that policemen receive pay for a period of thirty days when sick.

Mr. W. H. Sweeney said that while the members of the joint committee were favorably disposed toward the petitioner, and would have been pleased to be in a position to grant his request, there is no law under which it could be done. There is in the case of policemen.

The action of the Common Council was concurred in.

The Aldermen after concurring with the lower board on other papers sent in adjourned.

**COMMON COUNCIL.**  
The board was called to order shortly after eight o'clock.

The finance committee reported deficiency appropriations of \$250 for the fire department; \$500 for electric light works and \$950 for cleaning streets, and the report recommending appropriations for these sums was adopted.

The application of Wm. Glasgow, fireman of the electric light works, for pay during illness was reported on adversely and the report was agreed to.

The committee on streets reported that the cost of extending the Royal street sewer from Franklin to Church street would be \$6,000 for a six feet invert open sewer and the report was recommended.

The streets and finance committees reported favorably on an ordinance for the modern paving of Royal street from King to Cameron street; no work to be done in front of property whose owners do not deposit \$2.85 per front foot or pledge that amount. Under the terms of the ordinance, the cobblestones will be left in front of the premises of those who refuse to share with the city the expense of the improvement.

Mr. Uhler asked what was meant by the proposal not to pave in front of the property whose owners refused to make the deposit required. He was opposed to any such patch work business.

Mr. Leadbeater said that this method had been tried in other cities and was found effective in securing unanimity in the end.

Mr. Strauss asked—"Shall these people who are able to pay for the work, and yet refuse, keep back the improvement of a whole square?" He favored the ordinance.

Mr. Burke favored the plan proposed by the committee. There might be an eye sore for a short time but all would soon come in.

Mr. Leadbeater called attention to the example of the sidewalks where, without any ordinance, example sufficed to secure the paving of an entire square with granite.

Mr. Williams said that of the three property holders who have not signed, two would soon do so and it would be but a little while before all was completed.

The chair urged Mr. Uhler to withdraw his objection.

Mr. Uhler declined to do so. The grade, he said, would be changed and this patchwork would make a street of hills and hollows.

Mr. Spinks said all needed grading would be done by the city.

Mr. Leadbeater agreed to this.

Mr. Uhler said that that only strengthened his position; the city had better do the work at once.

This ordinance was agreed to. Yeas, 11; noes, 1 (Mr. Uhler).

The committee also reported an ordinance to improve Royal street from King to Prince street, and the ordinance was agreed to, yeas 11.

The ordinance was agreed to, yeas 11.

The petition of Geo. A. Harlow et al for a sewer on an alley near Royal and Cameron street, with an appropriation of \$600 therefor, was unanimously agreed to.

The committee on claims, reporting on the petition of William A. Lyons for damages for personal injuries received by being kicked on the hand by one of the horses of the fire department, recommended that the petitioner be paid the sum of \$200, and the report was adopted. The committee exonerated Henry Allen, the driver of the horse, from blame.

Mr. Hellmuth introduced an appropriation of \$450 for a new kitchen at the city jail which was referred to the committee on public property.

Council concurred with the Aldermen in the report of the committee on general laws recommending that the city attorney be requested to draft an ordinance making it unlawful to expatriate on sidewalks and in common carriers.

Council referred an appropriation of \$250 to repave and widen gutters on Lee street from Wilkes to Franklin, also an ordinance requiring iron poles instead of wooden ones by the W. A. & M. V. Railway when it becomes necessary to replace the poles on account of decay.

Mr. R. E. Knight asked leave to use at No. 623 King street a frame structure covered with metal temporarily in elevating the building to three stories.

The matter was referred to the committee on streets after a motion by Mr. Brill to grant the petition had been negated by a vote of 7 to 4. During the debate Mr. Leadbeater said such matters should be referred and well considered; recently hasty action had resulted in giving permission for the erection of a building eight feet without the building line.

Council concurred with the Aldermen in a reference to the proposal to allow business men to use during the time

when stores are open for business three feet of the sidewalk.

**Official.**

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN.**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held April 25, 1906, there were present: J. T. Sweeney, esq., President, and Messrs. Burke, Harbury, Ballenger, Fisher, Curtin and W. H. Sweeney.

Mr. Fisher introduced the following which was referred to the Committees on General Laws and Streets:

Resolved, that the Corporation Attorney be instructed to prepare an ordinance permitting the owners or occupants of stores to use during the time the store is open for business the space outside of the front thereof to the extent of three feet from the building line, for the display in show cases and otherwise of goods, wares and merchandise directly connected with the business transacted within their stores, and permitting the owners or occupants of stores, except on King street, to use the space outside of the front thereof to the extent of three feet from the building line for merchandise in original packages upon obtaining permission from the Committee on Streets.

The following were received from the Common Council and laid over:

A report of the Finance Committee on a communication from E. F. Price, Auditor, announcing the exhaustion of certain appropriations.

A resolution to provide for the grading, paving and curbing of Royal street from the south side of King street to the north crossing of Prince street under certain conditions.

An ordinance to provide for the grading, curbing and paving of Royal street from the north crossing of King street to the south crossing of Cameron street under certain conditions.

An ordinance directing the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway Company to take up its rails on Royal street, between King and Prince, and to lay grooved rails, and to pave the space between said rails and two feet on each side with vitrified brick on a six-inch concrete base.

The following were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in by unanimous vote:

Report of the Joint Committee on Light and Finance recommending an appropriation of \$250 for one month's pay, he having become ill while at work at the electric light works.

Report of the Committee on Streets on a resolution to ascertain the cost of extending the Royal street sewer from Franklin to Church street.